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## Enforcement Action

**Thomas Mills****Registered Geologist No. 4439**

The Board for Geologists and Geophysicists issued a citation and fine of \$2,500.00 to Mr. Thomas Mills, Registered Geologist No. 4439, for violation of §7860(b) of the Business and Professions Code (Geologist and Geophysicist Act).

The citation was issued to Mr. Mills for negligence and incompetence for failing to adequately characterize, store and treat on-site potentially hazardous materials encountered during improvements for a multi-unit, single-family development in southern California (Bus. & Prof. Code §7860(b)). The standard of practice for a Registered Geologist in responsible charge of site characterization and remediation work in California requires that a licensed professional adequately characterize potentially contaminated materials in order to comply with the California Water Code (CWC) §13264.

In accordance with section 125.9(d) of the Business and Professions Code which specifies that payment of the fine does not constitute admission of the violation charged and represents satisfactory resolution of the matter, Mr. Mills paid the fine and the case was closed on August 14, 2002.